

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing Senate Bill 849 with a request for additional legislation in the next legislative session.

The merits of this bill are noteworthy, in particular the assessment of consolidating disparate regional planning functions across several layers of government. However, it is critical in accomplishing the broad scope of the task force's mission in a manner that is best for the Bay Area and California that a representative of the State of California's transportation and housing interests be a member of the task force. I am asking the Legislature to author a bill that makes the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency a member of this important task force.

I look forward to working with the Legislature on this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger